



Date: June 28, 2005
Contact: Mary Apple, 406-896-5258

North Dakota to Receive \$950,280 from Interior Under Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes Program

Secretary of the Interior Gale A. Norton today announced that North Dakota will receive \$950,280 under the Payment in Lieu of Taxes Act to compensate county governments whose jurisdictions contain tax-exempt federal lands.

“These important dollars help states offset the loss of tax revenues to counties that contain federal lands,” Norton said. “This money helps pay for essential services such as firefighting, search-and-rescue operations, and a host of other badly needed on-the-ground services.”

The money distributed to North Dakota will go to 43 counties eligible under the PILT program for tax revenue lost because of the federal land in their jurisdiction. The counties receiving the largest payments are McLean, McKenzie, and Mountrail.

A table showing North Dakota’s 2005 PILT payments by county is attached.

--more--

NORTH DAKOTA PILT 2005

Local Unit of Government	Total Paid This FY
Barnes	\$8,831
Benson	\$4,735
Billings	\$61,849
Bottineau	\$158
Bowman	\$7,830
Burke	\$203
Burleigh	\$20,960
Cavalier	\$1,932
Dickey	\$897
Divide	\$1,890
Dunn	\$17,925
Eddy	\$116
Emmons	\$44,930
Golden Valley	\$16,920
Grand Forks	\$1,677
Grant	\$12,285
Griggs	\$2,380
Kidder	\$3,080
Logan	\$1,167
McHenry	\$3,034
McIntosh	\$643

Local Unit of Government	Total Paid This FY
McKenzie	\$101,177
McLean	218,792
Mercer	10,445
Morton	18,795
Mountrail	85,565
Pierce	4,367
Ramsey	520
Ransom	53,855
Renville	325
Richland	35,518
Rolette	135
Sargent	2,420
Sheridan	41,568
Sioux	43,865
Slope	26,493
Stark	882
Steele	194
Stutsman	12,911
Walsh	662
Ward	445
Wells	11,903
Williams	66,001
TOTAL	\$950,280